BRIDGE ACROSS GRAND CALUMET RIVER, LAKE COUNTY, IND.

February 11, 1925.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. SANDERS, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 11953]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 11953) to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Grand Calumet River on the north and south center line of section 33, township 37 north, and range 9 west of the second principal meridian in Lake County, Ind., where said river is crossed by what is known as Kennedy Avenue, having considered the same, report thereon with amendment and as so amended recommend that it pass.

The bill as amended has the approval of the War and Agriculture Departments, as will appear by the letters attached and which are made a part of this report.

Amend the bill as follows:

Line 3, page 1, after the word "That," insert "the consent of Congress is hereby granted to."

Line 4, page 1, after the word "Indiana," strike out "be, and is hereby, authorized."

Line 6, page 1, after the word "River," insert "at a point suitable to the interests of navigation."

Amend the title so as to read:

A bill granting the consent of Congress for the construction of a bridge across the Grand Calumet River on the north and south center line of section 33, township 37 north, and range 9 west of the second principal meridian in Lake County, Indiana, where said river is crossed by what is known as Kennedy Avenue.

WAR DEPARTMENT, February 4, 1925.

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, House of Representatives.
So far as the interests committed to this department are concerned, I know of

no objection to the favorable consideration of the accompanying bill (H. R. 11953.

68th Cong., 2d sess.), to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Grand Calumet River on the north and south center line of section 33, township 37 north, and range 9 west of the second principal meridian in Lake County, Ind., where said river is crossed by what is known as Kennedy Avenue, if amended as indicated in red thereon.

As the navigable portions of the Grand Calumet River do not lie within the limits of a single State, the consent of Congress is required under section 9 of the river and harbor act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151), for the construction of a

bridge thereover.

JOHN W. WEEKS. Secretary of War.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Washington, February 4, 1925.

Hon. SAMUEL E. WINSLOW, Chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce,

House of Representatives.

Dear Mr. Winslow: The department has received your letter of January 27 inclosing copy of H. R. 11953 for a report thereon and for such views as it may

desire to communicate.

The bill proposes to authorize the board of commissioners of Lake County, Ind., to construct a bridge across the Grand Calumet River on the north and south center line of section 33, township 37 north, range 9 west of the second principal meridian in Lake County, Ind., where said river is crossed by what is known as Kennedy Avenue. It is understood that this bridge, if authorized to be constructed, will be maintained and operated as a free bridge. As the bridge will not form a part of the Federal aid system of highways, this department has no suggestions to offer regarding it.

Sincerely.

HOWARD M. GORE, Secretary.